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Foreign Policy on the

CONDUCT OF THE NEW DIPLOMACY by James L. McCamy (Harper & Row: \$6.50). The friendly spirit of Camp David was leading to a summit conference between President Eisenhower and Premier Khrushchev when suddenly an American spy U-2 plane was shot down over Russia. With the plane went the holding of the summit and the hopes of the two nations for a thaw in the Cold War. James L. McCamy, a professor of political science at the University of Wisconsin and former government official, concludes the flight and the later fiasco caused by conflicting statements by U.S. officials are perfect examples of the need for reorganization in government. In his interesting study of the executive branch and the State Department, McCamy concludes that drastic changes are needed to simplify the chain of command and allow time for study of broad policies. Foreign policy now is made "in answering the mail"—by responding rather than initiating developments, McCamy says. His proposals include setting up a special Policy Corps to study long range foreign

policy and reducing the President's advisory from the present 20 or more to five assistants who would have power to make decisions in his name.—D. N.

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